GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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SOUTHERN SPLENDOUR TRAIN
Sugavanam Shri E.G.

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have introduced 'Southern Splendour' Train;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the additional facilities available in this train;

(c) whether the Railways proposed to introduce more such trains in other parts of the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) and (b): No, Madam. However, the rake of luxury tourist train 'Golden Chariot' which is running in association with Karnataka State Tourism Development Corporation (KSTDC) is also operating in a Pan-South India circuit covering Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Puducherry. This tour package is being marketed as 'Southern Splendour' by KSTDC.

(c) to (e): There is a proposal from Punjab Heritage and Tourism Promotion Board (PHTPB) for running a luxury tourist train. The Memorandum of Understanding has been signed in this regard between Indian Railways and PHTPB.